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1. CHINA

ACCORDING "INFORMED SOURCES," SHANGHAI WALL POSTERS MONDAY SAID LI HSIEN-NIEN IS NEW PRC PREMIER (CSM, CHITRIB, WSJ, PHINQ). PEKING REFUSES COMMENT ON THIS, OR ON REPORT YEH CHIEN-YING HAS BEEN NAMED NPC CHAIRMAN.

AP (VIENNA) REPORTS HOXHA INDICATED MONDAY THAT ALBANIA IS HEADING TOWARD LESS RELIANCE ON PRC IDEOLOGICAL/MATERIAL SUPPORT (WP, NYDN, NYT, SUN).

REUTER'S ROGERS (PEKING) REPORTS 4 PURGED RADICAL LEADERS BEING INDIRECTLY BLAMED FOR HUGE LIFE LOSS IN JULY EARTH-QUAKE; FOREIGNERS WHO HAVE SPOKEN TO CHINESE RETURNING
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FROM DEVASTATED ZONE SAID LOCAL PEOPLE WERE ASKING WHY

ADMINISTRATORS WERE NOT BETTER PREPARED FOR MASSIVE DISASTER. FOUR RADICALS REPORTEDLY BEING BLAMED FOR CREATING POL CONFUSION AT TIME WHICH PREOCCUPIED ADMIN, DIVERTED IT FROM TAKING PROPER PRECAUTIONS AGAINST EARTHQUAKE.

2. JAPAN

LAT'S JAMESON (10/31) REPORTS CONCERN IN LDP'S "REBEL RANKS" FIGURED PROMINENTLY IN ELEVENTH-HOUR RETREAT IN BATTLE AGAINST MIKI. PM REPORTEDLY RELAYED PRIVATE THREAT TO REBEL LEADERS, STATING HE WOULD REFUSE QUIT AS PARTY PRES EVEN IF MOTION TO STRIP HIM OF POST WERE PASSED AT ORIGINALLY-SCHEDULED SPECIAL PARTY CONVENTION.

LEADERS IN STEEL/AUTO/SHIPBUILDING/ELECTRONICS/BALL BEARINGS INDUSTRIES EXPRESS EMBARRASSMENT/EXASPERATION/BITTERNESS AS RESULT KEIDANREN PRES' PLEDGE TO EEC COMMISSION THAT HE WOULD CONVINCE THEM ADOPT VOLUNTARY EXPORT CONTROLS. INDUSTRIES CLAIM CHARGES OF EXCESSIVE JAPANESE MARKETING EFFORTS HIGHLY INACCURATE, COMPLAIN KEIDANREN PRES HAD INADEQUATE KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THEIR PRESENT ACTIVITIES (CULLISON, JOC).

JAPAN'S MINISTERIAL COUNCIL ON ECON AFFAIRS, UNDER LEADERSHIP FUKUDA, EXPECTED BE CALLED INTO SESSION SOMETIME AFTER 11/10 TO CONSIDER ADOPTION SERIES SMALL-SCALE PROGRAMS/STEPS TO STIMULATE SAGGING ECON RECOVERY (CULLISON).

NISSAN/TOYOTA, IMPRESSED BY OFFER OF DUTY-FREE SHIPPING OUT OF NY HARBOR, TELL NJ GOV BYRNE THEY ARE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING LOCATING ASSEMBLY PLANTS IN NJ (UPI, JOC).

DOLLAR JUMPED AGAINST YEN IN TOKYO MON, BUT BANK OF JAPAN "SMOOTHING" OPERATION SOLD SOME 40-50 MILLION DOLS, RESULTING IN ONLY SLIM RISE FOR DAY (WSJ).

FOR 1ST TIME IN SEVERAL YEARS, JAPAN'S MAJOR AUTO MAKERS WILL INTRODUCE MODEL CHANGES NEXT SPRING IN EFFORT STIMULATE DULL DOMESTIC SALES (UPI, JOC).

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ALUMINUM REFINING DIVISION OF SUMITOMO CHEMICAL CO BEGAN BUSINESS ACTIVITIES MON; WILL BECOME JAPAN'S LARGEST ALUMINUM SMELTING FIRM, TAKING OVER PARENT FIRM'S VENTURES IN NZ/INDONESIA/BRAZIL/OTHERS (UPI, JOC).

JAPANESE FISHING BOAT CREW, THINKING IT NETTED HUGE WHALE, REELED IN NETS 10/8 TO FIND SURFACED SOVIET SUB. RUS-

SIAN OFFICER APPEARED ON DECK, ORDERED SHIP CUT NETS, TOLD ONE JAPANESE CREWMAN STOP TAKING PICTURES (WSTAR 11/1 W/AP FOTO).

3. INDONESIA

IRIAN JAYA EARTHQUAKE DEATH TOLL REACHES 133. INTERIOR DEPT OFFICIAL SAYS 10-MAN TEAM WILL MEET IN JAKARTA WED TO DISCUSS RELIEF STEPS (AP, NYT; WP).

GOI/DOW CHEMICAL AGREE ON GUIDELINES FOR JOINT DEVELOPMENT N SUMATRA MAJOR PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX. PROJECT COST ESTIMATED AT 500-800 MILLION DOLS, INVOLVES 250 MIL DOLS WORTH CONSTRUCTION SPENDING IN INDONESIA. AGREEMENT NOT FINAL; NEGOTS MUST STILL TAKE PLACE ON PLAN'S KEY ELEMENTS (WSJ).

INDONESIAN FURNITURE EXPORT FOR CURRENT YEAR REACHED TOTAL 750,000 DOLS (AP, SUN).

4. AUSTRALIA

CHRYLSEER AUSTRALIA ANNOUNCED MON PLANS FOR MAJOR EXPANSION PROGRAM INVOLVING NEW INVESTMENT 44 MILLION DOLS OVER NEXT 3 YEARS (UPI, JOC; WSJ).

5. BURMA

WB PRES MCNAMARA, BANK'S SOUTH ASIAN OFFICIALS ARRIVED RANGOON MON FOR 3-DAY STUDY TOUR BURMA (UPI, JOC).

6. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

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TWO HIGH-RANKING VN OFFICIALS ARRIVE PARIS TO CONFER W/ FRENCH ON INCREASED ECON/TECHNICAL COOPERATION. VN EMB SAYS DIPLOMATS PLAN NO CONTACT W/US DIPLOMATS (WP; UPI, NYT). SPECULATION THAT US-VN CONTACT MIGHT TAKE PLACE FUELED BY GAPS IN SCHEDULE DURING 4-DAY VISIT OF VN DIPLOMATS (REUTER PARIS).

WSTAR (11/1), WP, PHINQ CARRY AP PIC/PIX TAKEN IN SAIGON BY JAPANESE JOURNALIST. SHOWS STREET SCENE/FORMER PRES' RESIDENCE/GROUP SVN DRAFTEES/CAPTURED US EQUIPMENT ON DISPLAY.

REP GUYER (O), MEMBER HOUSE MIA CMTE, OFFERS LITTLE HOPE FOR MIA FAMILIES. BELIEVES NO MORE THAN 25 SERVICEMEN ALIVE (AP, CSM).

HANOI RADIO SAYS THAI INSURGENTS SHOT DOWN 1 GOVT PLANE, KILLED 11 POLICE DURING ATTACK ON RTG POLICE STATION 250 MI N BANGKOK (WP).

THAI SCHOOLS CLOSED SINCE OCT 6 COUP REOPEN, BUT MOST STUDENTS STAY AWAY. NO DISTURBANCES REPORTED (QP; UPI, CHITRIB). THAMMASAT U KEPT SHUT (WSTAR 11/1; UPI, CHITRIB). ANDELMAN (NYT) REPORTS THAMMASAT NOT EXPECTED REOPEN FOR AT LEAST MONTH. NOTES RESTRAINT/CAUTION IN SCHOOLS THAT CONTRASTS W/FREEWHEELING ATMOSPHERE OF PAST 3 YEARS. SAYS STUDENTS PRINCIPAL TARGETS BLAME FOR END DEMOCRATIC GOVT, RE-ESTABLISHMENT MIL DICTATORSHIP. QUOTES THAI PROF THAT STUDENTS NEVER UNDERSTOOD DEMOCRACY, BUT THOUGHT MEANT COULD DO WHATEVER WANTED. MENTIONS NEW GOVT BANNED ANY INSTRUCTION IN "DEMOCRACY AND COMMUNISM," BUT LACK GUIDELINES HAS RESULTED IN STUDENTS/TEACHERS MAKING ELABORATE PRECAUTIONS FOR PROTECTING SELVES; LARGE NUMBERS NOT EXPECTED SHOW UP, COURSES EXPECTED BE CANCELLED, READING LISTS BEING REWRITTEN.

7. JAPAN/NEW ZEALAND

FARNSWORTH (NYT) REPORTS INT ENERGY AGENCY INCREASINGLY CONCERNED OVER SKIMPY RESULTS OIL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS/ DANGEROUS COMPLACENCY IN PUBLIC MIND ABOUT FUTURE SUPPLIES/ UNCLASSIFIED

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PRICES. REPORT GIVES CLOSE TO "FLUNKING GRADES" TO US EFFORTS CURB DEMAND; TAKES NZ/CANADA/SWITZERLAND TO TASK FOR OVER-CHEAP ENERGY PRICING; GIVES BEST OVERALL GRADES TO JAPAN/NORWAY/DENMARK/NETHERLANDS.

8. KOREA

WP'S CHESHIRE/BABCOCK SAY FED INVESTIGATORS MOVING TO QUESTION PAK BO HI AND JHOON RHEE AS PART WIDENING PROBE SK ACTIVITIES HERE. BOTH MEN OFFICIALS "KOREAN CULTURAL AND FREEDOM FOUNDATION," ACTIVE SUPPORTERS REV MOON, AND STOCKHOLDERS DIPLOMAT NATIONAL BANK. PAK HAD 11/1 PRESS CONF, DENIED PARTICIPATION INFLUENCE-PEDDLING, LINKS TO KCIA, OR PRESENCE ALLEGED "JUNE 1969" BLUE HOUSE MEETING W/PRES PARK/TONGSUN PARK (WP, NYT, SUN). WP POINTS OUT KEY MTG 1970, NOT 1969. PAK US "FAMILY FRIEND" TOLD HIRC SUBCOMM 6/76 PAK DESCRIBED FOUNDATION AS MOON/ROKG FRONT.

SAAR (WP, SEOUL) REPORTS EVIDENCE MOUNTING ROKG BOTH KNEW OF AND CONDONED TONGSUN PARK ACTIONS. NOTES WHILE APPARENT SPLIT WITHIN ROKG OVER PARK'S ACTS, LACK GOVT SANCTIONS

ALLOWED PARK'S BUSINESSES FLOURISH. "US SOURCE" TERMS
CORRUPTION SCHEME "DOWNRIGHT DANGEROUS -- THESE THINGS WILL
UNDERMINE (KOREAN) SUPPORT IN CONGRESS." NA MEMBER OH SE
EUNG CRITIZED PARK'S INVOLVEMENT 1974 SK TRIP 22 CONGRESS-
MEN LED BY REP O'NEILL (D-MASS). SAAR STATES THEN - AMB

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HABIB SPOTTED PARK AMONG WELCOMING GROUP, TOLD HOSTS HE
WOULD LEAVE UNLESS PARK REMOVED -- PARK DISAPPEARED, BUT
ONLY BRIEFLY. MEMBERS RULING PARTY BELIEVE ANY DEBATE
CHARGES RE US BUGGING BH WOULD ONLY SERVE INTERESTS ROK-US
ENEMIES.

CSM'S SWEENEY WRITES TONGSUN PARK ACQUAINTANCES SAY HIS
ROCKETING SOCIAL SUCCESSES WASH MADE HIM IDEAL MIDDLEMAN
BETWEEN US RICE DEALERS AND ROKG.

BRADSHER (WSTAR 11/1) STATES SOME OF ROK'S MOST STAUNCH
CONG SUPPORTERS NOW TARGETS FED PROBE/POSSIBLE PROBE THEIR
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CAMPAIGN FINANCES. CITES PRO-ROK FLOOR SPEECHES/COMMITTEE
ACTIONS SEVERAL CONGRESSMEN, NAMING REPS MURPHY (D-NY),
WILSON (D-CALIF), KETCHUM (R-CALIF), BROOMFIELD (R-MICH),
AND GUYER (R-OHIO).

FEDS DOING EXTENSIVE CHECK TONGSUN PARK'S "HUGE PROFITS"
FROM FOOD FOR PEACE SHIPMENTS KOREA -- PROBING BOTH SALES
AND SHIPPING COMMISSIONS; QUESTIONING BY JUSTICE FOCUSING
ON REPS PASSMAN (D-LA) AND BEGETT (D-CALIF), AND AT LEAST
3 OTHER UNNAMED CONG (NYT'S ROBBINS, CARRIED WSTAR 11/1;
CHITRIB'S COATES AND MACLEAN, CARRIED PHINQ).

WP'S WILSON QUOTES DOD SPOKESMAN WOODS THAT CONTRACTING
IRREGULARITIES KOREA "PREDOMINANTLY ON PART ROK CONTRACT-
ORS, WITH SOME POSSIBLE INSTANCES US PERSONNEL INVOLVEMENT,
BOTH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN." ARMY INVESTIGATORS HAVE
SUBSTANTIAL DOCUMENTATION FIXED BIDDING--ALLEGATIONS RE
US PERSONNEL STILL BEING CHECKED. ROK BUSINESSMAN CLAIMS
US PROCUREMENT OFFICIALS KOREA BRIBED "FROM START TO
FINISH CONTRACTING PROCESS." SEN PROXMIRE DEMANDING DOD
STOP RIGGED BIDDING SK, OR GIVE MIL BUSINESS US/3RD COUNTRY
FIRMS.

CDN'S BEECH (HK 10/28) REVIEWS SMUGGLING ACTIVITIES NK
DIPLOMATS SCANDINAVIA. REPORTS INTELL SOURCES CLAIM
OPS THERE TIP OF WORLDWIDE ICEBERG. STATES 2 NK DIPS
CAIRO CAUGHT SMUGGLING 400 KGS MARIJUANA FROM SYRIA 5/76
--CASE DISPOSED OF "UNDER TABLE." ADDS NK EMB KL DREW
MALAYSIAN WARNING 7/76 WHEN STAFFER CAUGHT BLACKMARKETING

LIQUOR.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

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9. CHINA

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD (HK) SAYS WHETHER REPORTS ABOUT NEW APPOINTMENTS FOR LI/YEH ARE CORRECT, NEW AUTHORITIES SEEM TAKING MORE CONSERVATIVE VIEW OF LEADERSHIP THAN DID MAO. CITES PARTY PAPER'S ASSERTION PRC SHOULD BE LED BY MOST SENIOR LEADERS, AND RECALLS THAT IN GPCR MAO UNCLASSIFIED

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FAVORED RAPID PROMOTION YOUNGER PEOPLE.

MATHEWS (WP HK) OBSERVES RECENT PROVINCIAL BROADCASTS SHED NEW LIGHT ON RASH OF PROVINCIAL WARNINGS ABOUT "SABOTAGE," "CONSPIRACIES AND INTRIGUES BY CLASS ENEMIES" THAT POPPED UP IN LATE SEPT, JUST BEFORE 4 RADICAL LEADERS WERE ARRESTED. NEW REPORTS INDICATE PROVINCIAL LEADERS NOW MOVING TO APPREHEND/PUNISH PEOPLE THEY BELIEVE HAVE BEEN TAKING ORDERS FROM PEKING RADICALS. MATHEWS CITES PEKING OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN'S DENIAL OF SHANGHAI POSTER ANNOUNCEMENT THAT LI HSIEN-NIEN HAS BEEN NAMED PREMIER; SEES THIS AS HINT OF LINGERING DISSENT TO HUA'S PURGE OF RADICALS AND SUGGESTING PROTEST FROM SOME QUARTER AGAINST HUA'S EFFORTS TO CONTROL ALL CHINESE MEDIA.

MATHEWS OBSERVES MASSIVE/MIL-BACKED MEDIA CAMPAIGN NOW UNDER WAY TO DENOUNCE 4 RADICAL LEADERS; SEES IT DESIGNED DISCOURAGE ANY OF THEIR SYMPATHIZERS IN PROVINCES WHO MIGHT STILL WANT RESIST.

TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL'S MUNRO SUGGESTS THAT WITH CURBING OF RADICALS, NEXT DECADE MAY WELL BE GOLDEN AGE FOR 20TH-CENTURY PRC. END OF RADICALS' "STULTIFYING HOLD" ON CULTURE/LIFE-STYLE, FOR ONE THING, WILL MAKE COUNTRY MORE AMENABLE PLACE TO LIVE IN. THERE WILL BE MORE LATITUDE GIVEN ARTISTIC EXPRESSION, AND AN ESCHEWING OF DRABNESS IN CLOTHING/LIFE-STYLE WILL NO LONGER BE AUTOMATICALLY CONSIDERED COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY. MUNRO FEELS THAT ON ECON FRONT, NEXT DECADE SHOULD WITNESS SPURT IN CHINESE INDUSTRIAL/AGRIC DEVELOPMENT, AND DISCERNIBLE RISE IN LIVING STANDARD.

BUT MUNRO CAUTIONS OPPOSITE SIDE OF THIS COIN IS THAT AS THEY TAKE CHARGE, PUT GOAL OF ECON GROWTH IN FIRST PLACE, CHINESE BUREAUCRATS/OFFICIALS/FACTORY MANAGERS/ COMMUNE LEADERS WILL ALL ACQUIRE MORE POWER/PRIVILEGE--

AND NEW CLASS WILL BE FIRMLY IN CHARGE OF COUNTRY DECADE
FROM NOW. SEES LITTLE DOUBT HUA AND ALLIES RECOGNIZE
THIS DANGER, WILL TRY COUNTERACT IT. WE CAN EXPECT WIT-
NESS NOISY/ENERGETIC POL CAMPAIGNS IN COMING MONTHS/YEARS--
ELITISM IN EDUCATION, BUREAUCRATS' ARROGANCE, GAP BE-
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TWEEN FACTORY MANAGERS/WORKERS, BOURGEOIS LIFE-STYLES
WILL ALL COME UNDER REGULAR ATTACK IN POL CAMPAIGNS.
CONCLUDES CATCH IS THESE CAMPAIGNERS WILL REMAIN
RELATIVELY SUPERFICIAL IF NO ONE AT TOP OF POL STRUCTURE
LIKE MAO--OR 4 PURGED RADICALS--COMMITTED TO CUTTING
ELITE DOWN TO SIZE, EVEN AT COST OF POL TURMOIL/ECON
DISLOCATION (CSM).

JACK ANDERSON (BALT NA 11/1) REPORTS "PEPSI-COLA'S" KEN-
DALL HAS HAD SPECIAL WH ENTREE DURING REPUB OCCUPANCY,
WHEREAS "COCA-COLA'S" AUSTIN HAS INSIDE TRACK WITH
DEM'S CARTER. SUGGESTS TUESDAY ELECTION COULD DETER-
MINE WHETHER CHINESE, AMONG OTHERS, "MAY START GUZZLING THE
COLA WITH THE RIGHT POLITICAL CONNECTIONS." REPORTS BOTH
KENDALL/AUSTIN HAVE MADE EXPLORATORY PRC TRIP, BOTH RE-
TURNED CONVINCED CHINESE NOT YET READY FOR COLAS. BUT
BOTH EAGER INTRODUCE THEIR FAVORITE BEVERAGE THERE,
PERHAPS ON LIMITED BASIS AT FIRST AS TOURIST REFRESHMENT.

ROWAN (BALT NA 11/1) COMPLAINS THAT PRESIDENTIAL CAM-
PAIGN RHETORIC HAS DAMAGED SINO-US NORMALIZATION PRO-
CESS. DECLARES IF NOT FOR "OUR SHOOT-DOWN-AT-SUNDOWN
ELECTION SYSTEM," NEITHER CARTER/FORD "WOULD HAVE EMBRACED
TAIWAN PUBLICLY WITH SO MUCH FERVOR AS TO SEEM TO CLOSE
THE DOOR TO ANY FURTHER RAPPROCHEMENT" WITH PEKING.

DETROIT NEWS' CHEN (10/10) REPORTS ON "CENTER FOR CHINESE
STUDIES" AT U OF MICH. SAYS DRS WHITING/OKSENBERG CUR-
RENTLY DOING PROJECT FOR DOS ON PHENOMENON OF CCP PURGES,
AND THEIR EFFECT ON PRC POL/ECON/FOPOLICIES. ANOTHER
PROJECT UNDER WAY--ANALYSIS OF CHINESE AGRIC--"COULD BENE-
FIT EVERY AMERICAN CONSUMER." QUOTES PROJECT DIRECTOR
ECKSTEIN THAT BEING ABLE FORECAST PRC AGRIC PRODUCTION
FLUCTUATING WILL TELL US IF COUNTRY LIKELY BE CONTRIBU-
TOR OR CLAIMANT ON WORLD'S FOOD SUPPLY.

IN 10/30 NYT, JOHN LEONARD REVIEWED HAN SUYIN'S "WIND IN THE
TOWER." FEELS IT READS LIKE MINUTES OF CHINESE REVOLUTION,
EDITED DOWN TO 400 PAGES; FINDS AUTHOR "MUCH TAKEN"
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WITH MAO'S VISION/FIRE/POETRY/ELEMENTAL STRENGTH.

NEWSWEEK INTL'S KARNOW FINDS THAT TO HAN SUYIN, MAO APPEARS "ONLY ONE THING--PERFECTION"; "WIND IN THE TOWER" NOTHING LESS THAN PANEGYRIC TO LATE CHAIRMAN. TO KARNOW, SOLOMAN'S "A REVOLUTION IS NOT A DINNER PARTY" IS PERCEPTIVE BOOK, WITH SKILLFUL LAYOUT OF TEXT/PICTURES MAKING IT INDISPENSALBE GUIDE TO APPRECIATING CONTEMPORARY CHINESE.

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ROBERT BARNETT REVIEWS CROZIER'S "THE MAN WHO LOST CHINA" (WP 10/31). CONCLUDES VOLUME, WITH CKS ITS TRAGIC HERO, IS INFORMED/PROVOCATIVE/TIMELY COMMENT ON CHINESE CIVIL WAR.

RUSHER (PHINQ) FEARS WE ARE CURRENTLY WITNESSING MOMENTOUS DEVELOPMENT IN WORLD POLICY--ACQUISITION OF NUKE CAPABILITY BY VARIOUS SMALL BUT TECHNOLOGICALLY SOPHISTICATED NATIONS, AMONG THEM, ISRAEEL, S AFRICA, "AND (PROBABLY) TAIWAN."

10. INDOCHINA

BROWNING (CSM) SEES US/VN APPROACHING BARGAINING TABLE ANEW; STAKES MUCH LOWER THAN WHEN WAR ON, SO TALKS COULD PRODUCE SOME SORT WORKABLE COMPROMISE BUT WIDE GAP REMAINS TO BE BRIDGED BEFORE HAVE ANYTHING RESEMBLING WORKING DIPL RELS. OPINES TALKS MAY DRAG ON FOR SOME TIME, SINCE HANOI INSISTS ON HOLDING US TO "PEACE ACCORDS," WHILE SECSTATE REJECTS DISCUSSING THEM. SAYS PROBLEM IS THAT BOTH SIDES WISH GUARD TRUMPS: HANOI WANTS WITHHOLD MIA INFO; US DOES NOT FEEL OBLIGATED PROVIDE AID, HAS ECON EMBARGO. MENTIONS VN DIPL OFFENSIVE AROUND WORLD SEEKING RECOGNITION/AID AS INDICATION HANOI MAY BE PREPARED COMPROMISE.

LATCH (CSM) SAYS ERODING DISCIPLINE NAGS VN AS CP MOUNTS DRIVE EXPUNGE "ERRORS." PARTY SHAKEUP MAY OCCUR. QUOTES CANDID ARTICLE BY POLITBURO MEMBER/FONMIN TRINH ON ERRORS. THINKS MAY BE DUR DIFFICULTY PARTY TRANSFORMING SELF FROM WARTIME FOOTING TO GOVERNING/RECON-
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STRUCTION, AS WELL AS "BEWITCHING" PARTY CADRES BY SVN LIFE-STYLE. CONCLUDES PARTY LEADERS CONCERNED ABOUT WANING REV COMMITMENT, CONSEQUENCES FOR PARTY'S

FUTURE. ADDS INTENSIFICATION PARTY'S CAMPAIGN MAY BE INTENDED SET TENOR FOR 4TH CONGRESS IN MID-DEC, THAT COULD PRODUCE NEW PARTY DESIGN MORE SUITED FOR TASKS CONFRONTING COUNTRY. MENTIONS SVN COMPLAINTS THAT NVIETS HAVE DISPROPORTIONATE HAND IN RUNNING THINGS, THAT MAY RESULT IN CHANGED CENTRAL CMTE; MOVE TO BRING MORE SVIETS INTO RANKS WOULD BE STEP TOWARD INTEGRATION.

REUTER'S ROGERS DESCRIBES VIENTIANE MONTH BEFORE PDRL CELEBRATES 1ST BIRTHDAY. SEES REMINDERS FRENCH/US PRESENCE OF PAST, BUT NOTES MORE RUSSIANS THAN EITHER NOW.

11. MALAYSIA

MALAYSIAN EMB'S 1ST SECY (INFO) NAIR WRITES NYT ABOUT RECENT ANDELMAN PIECE CONCERNING FLIGHT ETHNIC CHINESE DUE DISCRIMINATION. CITES DATA TO REBUT ANDELMAN'S POINTS. STATES BASIC AIMS NEW ECON POLICY TO ERADICATE PROVERTY/ RESTRUCTURE SOCIETY TO REDUCE IDENTIFICATION RACE W/ECON FUNCTION/GEOG LOCATION. ADDS ANTI-TERRORIST FIGHT HAS NOTHING DO W/RACE/RIGHTS OF ALL TO CHOOSE WAY OF LIFE W/O CORECION.

12. THAILAND

ASIAN SPECIALISTS/SCHOLARS ANDERSON/COHEN/KAHIN/LEV/SCOTT WRITE NYT DEPLORING ASSAULT ON THAMMASAT/NEW MIL DICTATORSHIP. BLAME MIL/POLICE/ULTRA RT WING FOR COUP THAT REPRESENTS VIOLENT REACTION ON PART ENTRENCHED MIL/BUREAUCRATIC CLIQUES TO "THREATENING" CONSEQUENCES PARLIAMENTARY DEMOCRACY. NOTE JUNTA HOPES GAIN US SUPPORT BY ADVERTISING SELF AS PRO-US/ANTI-COMMUNIST. BELIEVE US PUBLIC NO LONGER FINDS LINE PERSUASIVE, WANTS RESTORE SENSE HUMAN DECENCY TO US FOPOLICY. HOPE WASHINGTON REFLECTS THIS IN DEALING W/BANGKOK.

13. GENERAL

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GELB (NYT MAG 10/31) DOES LENGTHY, SOMEWHAT CRITICAL PIECE ON HAK LEGACY. BELIEVES HISTORICAL VERDICT WILL BE HARSH ON VN SETTLEMENT; HANOI GAINED MUCH, SO "INCONCEIVABLE" NVN WOULD HAVE REJECTED DEAL IN 1969/71--YET WASN'T OFFERED UNTIL LATE 1973, THUS LENGTHENING DEATH/DESTRUBTION. MENTIONS HAK CONTENDS UNTIL LATE 1973 HANOI INSISTED ON SHARING POWER IN SVN, DEPOSING THIEU. STATES HAK WOULD PREFER HISTORY SKIP OVER HIS ROLE VN/CAMBODIA. STATES USSR 1968 USE OF FORCE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA PERSUADED PRC MAKE OVERTURES TO US, SO IN MOTION BEFORE NIXON PRES. ADDS

HAK'S CONTRIBUTION WAS MAKE GROWING TREND FOR E-W ACCOMMO-
DATION INTO CENTERPIECE US FOPOLICY, USE DETENTE TO MAKE
MOSCOW RESTRAIN HANOI, AND ESTABLISH NEW BALANCE POWER.
SAYS MAJORITY HAK CRITICS NEVER QUESTIONED US COMMITMENT
TO WEUR/JAPAN. MENTIONS HAK TRIED NEUTRALIZE RIVALS; GIVES
AS EXAMPLE KEEPING SECDEF LAIRD OUT OF INFLO FLOW ON
MATTERS LIKE PRC. OPINES HAK HAS CONTROVERSIAL STAND ON
HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE; SOME DO NOT BELIEVE WISE FOR HIM
"EMBRACE" DICTATORS SK, ELSEWHERE. ROBINSON

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